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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003, for which a shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on October 30, 2003. This response is timely filed, if filed on or before October 30, 2003 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.8 and therefore no extension fee is due.

In response to the Office Action please amend the claims as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.